



THORPE WARD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9th DECEMBER 2019

Open Forum: There were no residents attending and therefore this section of the meeting was closed.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved by the committee and signed off by the Chairman.

Cllr EG has met with RBC re the graffiti on the Moat Bridge and it has been agreed that this can be done as a community project and RBC will supply the safety barriers and the anti-graffiti paint. This will have to be delayed until Spring for better weather. The Chairman reminded members of the next litter picking which is to be held on Sunday 15th December.

Councillors Reports: These were all distributed prior to the meeting to the committee. And there were no questions asked of the councillors on these reports.

Association Officers Reports: All available reports were also sent out prior to the meeting to committee members.

Town Planning and Allied matters: The Planning Secretary reported on the latest planning application in the Ward and after discussion it was decided that there were no applications which required letters of objection from the TWRA.

The subcommittee of the TWRA dealing with the Regulation 14 responses to the Thorpe Neighbourhood Plan reported back as to their findings and suggested letter of comments regarding the plan which should be sent. The letter was agreed and approved by the committee.

Matters Arising: The Chairman has decided that due to work commitments he must step down from this role in the Association, he felt that he had not done a very good job which was unanimously disagreed by the committee. Another Chairman was appointed, and the outgoing Chairman agreed to stay as Vice Chairman. A vote of thanks was given in appreciation of the outgoing Chairman's work on behalf of the Association.

Communication, Promotions and News Items.: Two committee members met to discuss the moving of the TWRA web site from its current host to E-Voice this is because Surrey Community Web Hosting is closing. A lot of work will be required to ensure that this transition goes smoothly, and nothing is lost on the way.

It was suggested that another way of contacting the Association could be with a dedicated mobile phone system, this would be investigated i.e., costs etc. and technical problems if any.

Any Other Business: The Membership Secretary stated that after Christmas he will instigate a scheme where he will go around knocking on doors to try and drum up more members. Discussions then were far ranging on the role of the Association in the neighbourhood and it should focus more on the social aspects as it could be seen as a negative Association always complaining about matters but not doing anything or promoting anything positive. It was suggested that the positive effects of the Association could be published on our new web site.